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AIR AND RADIATION

The Honorable Walter B. Jones  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Jones:

Thank you for your letter of May 15, 2017, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the Phosphoric Acid Manufacturing and Phosphate Fertilizer Production Residual Risk and Technology Review and Standards of Performance for Phosphate Processing and your suggestion that it be included in the Executive Order 13777 review process.

First, let me assure you that we have placed your letter in the public comment section of the docket (EPA-HQ-OA-2017-0190) that we opened for collecting suggestions on Executive Order 13777.

Second, we met with PCS Phosphate on June 8, 2017. In that meeting, the company provided additional information for us to consider as we determine how to proceed in this matter. After we have had time to evaluate the new information, we will be in touch with the company and, as appropriate, discuss further.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Matthew Davis in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at [davis.matthew@epa.gov](mailto:davis.matthew@epa.gov) or at (202) 564-1267.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Dunham", is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

Sarah Dunham  
Acting Assistant Administrator